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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The imports during April were valued at £2,646,870, which shows a decrease of £107,291, as compared with the corresponding month of last year. For the four months there was a decrease of £564,037, or nearly 5 per cent., as compared with last year. The direct oversea imports during April amounted to £1,396,944, as compared with £1,673,877 in 1907; the total for the four months was £6,382,973, an increase of £286,526 over the corresponding figures for 1907. There were increases in apparel and soft goods, boots and shoes, machinery, and sugar; and decreases in iron and steel, metal manufactures, kerosene, spirits, and tobacco. Gold also shows a heavy falling-off.

The oversea exports for April amounted to £1,698,615, and show a decrease of £304,187 compared with the corresponding month of last year. Wool decreased by £271,000, minerals by £28,000, wheat by £82,000, and meats by £26,000. For the four months there was a decrease in the oversea exports of £3,559,103, or over 29 per cent., as compared with last year. Most of the principal articles show large decreases: Wool, £2,426,000; wheat, £626,000; minerals, £305,000; meats, £166,000; skins, £160,000; and tallow, £76,000; butter, coal, and wine, alone show increases. Separating merchandise from gold, the exports of the former during the four months decreased by £3,766,451, but the latter increased by £207,348.

Public Finances.—The Public Accounts for April show that the net revenue for the month was £1,179,587, or £139,203 less than in April of last year. During the ten months ended 30th April the revenue was £11,839,991, being £805,801, or 7·3 per cent. more than the corresponding period of the last financial year. The principal increases in receipts during the ten months were from Commonwealth returns, £707,980; Railways, £382,845; and Sydney Harbour Trust, £24,447. The returns from taxation decreased by £222,585; and Land Revenue, £26,206. The expenditure during April was £1,242,459, an increase of £58,431 as compared with April of last year. During the ten months the expenditure was £10,478,451, being £42,515, or 4 per cent. more than in 1906-7. Expenditure on Government Departments decreased by £126,168, and on Business Undertakings increased by £234,030. Interest payments decreased by £65,347. On the 30th April, 1908, the balance to credit of the Consolidated Revenue Account was £1,591,912.

Railways.—In the report on Railways for the quarter ended 31st March it is shown that the net earnings decreased by £55,379, as compared with the corresponding quarter of 1907; but during the first nine months of the financial year the net gain amounted to £26,660, which is very satisfactory, considering the large concessions that have been made in fares and freights. In all branches of traffic an improvement is shown.

Banks of Issue.—The banking averages for the quarter ended 31st March show that the current accounts increased by £830,190 during the quarter. Compared with the corresponding period of last year, there has been an increase of £525,881 in current accounts, while deposits as a whole increased by £1,940,076. Reserves of coin and bullion were £1,379,629 more. Advances increased by £193,061 during the quarter, and during the year by £3,404,983. These figures all exhibit very satisfactory results.

Manufacturing Industries.—The returns relating to employment in manufacturing show that the number of hands increased by 9,372, the total number employed in 1907 being 87,194, of whom 66,667 were males and 20,527 females. Part of the increase is, however, due to the inclusion for the first time of factories, which ought to have been included but which were omitted by the collectors in previous years. The industries in which the largest increases took place were those working in clothing, vehicles, and saddlery, metal works and machinery, and those connected with food and drink. There was also a general increase in the wages paid, the total for 1907 being £6,679,400, as against £5,591,900 in 1906.

Gold Production.—The gold yield during April was 20,734 oz. crude, equal to 14,739 oz. fine, valued at £62,608. The value of gold produced during the four months was £328,355, and showed a decrease of £36,462, as compared with the corresponding period of 1907.

Prices.—The general index number for April was very slightly higher than for March, but was 11 per cent. lower than for April of last year. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,160, for metals 1,092, and for all articles 1,180. During the month the prices of most articles remained almost stationary; butter, flour, lead, and silver declined, whereas copper, tin, and coal showed an upward tendency.

Meteorology.—During April the rainfall was generally patchy and scattered throughout the State, and was below the average. Some splendid falls were, however, recorded in the northern districts, principally the North Coast.

Land Selections.—During April 178 new settlers applied for 96,456 acres; and 57,879 acres, representing 64 blocks, were set apart for residential settlement. Since the beginning of the year the number of new settlers has been 707, and the area applied for 388,531 acres. The original area set apart for residential settlement since the 1st January has been 262,129 acres, representing 332 blocks.

Statement of Liabilities and Assets as at 30th June, 1907.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
Public Debt, £85,607,832, which has been expended as follows:—	Net Earnings from Business Undertakings, year ended 30th June, 1907, capitalised at 3½ per cent.—
Reproductive Works— £	£
Railways and Tramways ... 49,996,323	Railways and Tramways ... 67,752,000
Water Supply and Sewerage 11,082,545	Water Supply and Sewerage.. 11,357,000
Sydney Harbour Trust ... 5,055,160	Harbour Trust ... 6,151,000
Darling Harbour Resump- tions 1,119,196	Darling Harbour Resumptions 844,000
Total 67,253,224	Total 86,104,000
Indirectly Productive— £	Public Lands—
Conservation of Water, &c... 1,100,581	Net Revenue from Leases £
Roads and Bridges ... 1,784,582	capitalised at 3½ per cent... 14,681,000
Harbours and Rivers ... 4,407,851	Amount outstanding on C.P.'s 7,905,000
Total 7,293,014	Total 22,586,000
Unproductive Works— £	Cash in Hand 4,782,000
Public Buildings and Offices 4,325,691	Sinking Fund 483,000
Handed over to Common- wealth 3,430,647	
Other Works... .. 3,395,256	
Total 11,061,594	
Grand Total ... £85,607,832	Total £113,955,000

NOTE.—The total debt was expended principally on works of a permanent character, 79 per cent. being on reproductive works, 8 per cent. on indirectly productive works for the facilitation of traffic, and 13 per cent. on unproductive works.

The assets have been calculated on the basis of actual returns, by taking the net return from the business undertakings of the State for the year 1906–7, and capitalising at 3½ per cent. In addition, the value of the land still remaining to the State has been estimated on the basis of the annual revenue received, and the amount still outstanding on land alienated. Also the actual amount of the Sinking Fund and Cash in hand on 30th June, 1907, has been included. There is little doubt that the value quoted above of the public lands still unalienated is greatly under-estimated, but no valuation has been made by the Lands Department.

It will be seen from the statement that the excess of assets over liabilities is over 28 millions sterling, which may be regarded as extremely satisfactory. It should also be pointed out that in estimating the assets, no account has been taken of works not directly producing revenue, such as harbour works, roads and bridges, and others, although, of course, indirectly these works have been of great service in developing the country.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1'78	1,290,375
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1'64	1,312,455
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1'58	1,333,605
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1'53	1,354,335
1901	723,494	656,033	1,379,527	14,937	1'09	1,367,851
1902	741,234	666,385	1,407,619	28,092	2'04	1,395,299
1903	755,078	676,533	1,431,611	23,992	1'70	1,419,734
1904	773,699	687,850	1,461,549	29,938	2'09	1,446,535
1905	795,133	700,874	1,496,007	34,458	2'36	1,478,703
1906	816,590	714,394	1,530,984	34,977	2'34	1,514,390
1907	841,391	731,833	1,573,224	42,240	2'76	1,554,783

The population includes 4,287 Aborigines of full-blood, of whom 2,451 are males, and 1,836 females.

NOTE.—The population as at 31st December, 1907, has been amended since last issue, having been increased by 1,957. A new method of estimating the population has been adopted at the instance of the Commonwealth Statistician, he having stated there were discrepancies in the migration returns supplied to the various States. The above estimate is regarded as tentative, pending the adaption of the new method by the various State Statisticians.

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17'81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14'90
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15'42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16'26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15'98
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15'19
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13'71
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16'11
1905	10,970	20,206	19,295	8,709	6,269	24,523	16'58
1906	11,551	21,066	19,882	8,715	6,260	25,973	17'15
1907	12,189	21,616	20,579	9,429	6,981	25,785	16'59
Jan. to Mar., 1908	3,261	5,367	5,060	2,355	1,647	6,425	.....
Jan. to Mar., 1907...	2,972	4,986	4,638	1,912	1,437	6,275	.....

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.				Arrivals.					Departures.				
				By Sea.		By Land.		Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.
				Males.	Females	Males.	Females		Males.	Females	Males.	Females	
1897	...	...	...	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365	43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538
1898	...	...	...	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466	46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677
1899	...	...	...	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617	47,817	23,746	49,278	28,386	149,227
1900	...	...	...	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313	45,259	21,931	53,647	31,994	152,831
1901	...	...	...	50,234	25,905	55,538	31,936	163,613	44,332	25,168	66,763	34,267	170,530
1902	...	...	...	54,942	26,249	50,855	28,604	160,650	43,433	23,967	54,411	31,936	153,747
1903	...	...	...	46,121	24,449	54,314	27,459	152,343	39,537	24,095	56,003	28,185	147,820
1904	...	...	...	48,700	24,278	54,997	28,287	156,262	39,475	24,113	56,725	29,318	149,631
1905	...	...	...	47,872	26,298	62,991	35,143	172,304	38,586	25,096	62,340	36,347	162,369
1906	...	...	...	50,257	29,208	71,529	42,342	193,336	41,039	27,753	71,041	43,899	184,332
1907	...	...	...	65,684	35,441	94,245	45,969	241,339	51,868	30,018	95,447	47,551	224,884
Oct. to Dec.,	1907	...	...	16,485	8,883	24,049	12,583	62,000	13,556	8,449	27,353	15,346	64,704
„	1906	...	...	14,620	8,375	19,838	11,127	53,960	11,946	7,670	21,318	13,108	54,042

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	82,530	45,962	4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,474	46,982	4,579	13,706	10,872	163,613
1902	79,458	46,900	4,864	13,161	16,267	160,650
1903	81,773	42,529	4,249	12,868	10,924	152,343
1904	83,283	42,911	4,842	14,314	10,912	156,262
1905	98,134	44,315	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,304
1906	113,871	48,294	5,641	16,525	9,005	193,336
1907	140,214	58,734	9,782	20,204	12,405	241,339
Oct. to Dec., 1907	36,632	15,534	2,812	3,990	3,032	62,000
„ 1906	30,965	14,234	2,263	3,704	2,794	53,960

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.		United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.
	By Land.	By Sea.				
1900	85,641	42,863	5,798	9,477	9,052	152,831
1901	101,030	43,426	5,221	12,159	8,694	170,530
1902	86,347	36,448	5,956	12,803	12,193	153,747
1903	84,189	34,914	5,136	13,204	10,377	147,820
1904	86,043	35,888	5,837	12,782	9,081	149,631
1905	98,686	36,771	5,501	12,310	9,101	162,369
1906	115,541	39,458	4,627	15,452	9,254	184,332
1907	142,998	48,755	4,583	18,774	9,774	224,884
Oct. to Dec., 1907	42,699	12,744	692	6,416	2,153	64,704
„ 1906	34,426	10,856	526	6,239	1,995	54,042

No. 6.—Principal Causes of Death—March Quarter—1908 and 1907.

Cause of Death.	Sydney and Suburbs.				New South Wales.			
	1908.			1907.	1908.			1907.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Total.
General Diseases—								
Typhoid Fever	27	18	45	18	74	57	131	69
Measles	1	...	1	2	5	4	9	7
Scarlet Fever	1	2	3	4	4	4	8	5
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	2	2	26	15	21	36	49
Diphtheria and Croup	4	...	4	5	16	7	23	27
Influenza	1	2	3	2	7	6	13	16
Dysentery	3	4	7	6	20	13	33	27
Plague ... ..	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	14
Other Epidemic Diseases... ..	4	2	6	5	4	3	7	9
Septicæmia ... ..	...	4	4	...	2	7	9	6
Tuberculosis—Lungs	44	52	96	91	126	115	241	204
Other Organs	12	15	27	15	27	29	56	28
General	7	3	10	17	21	7	28	27
Syphilis	5	5	10	3	9	9	18	7
Cancer	73	59	132	108	170	119	289	254
Rheumatism	2	7	9	7	8	22	30	15
Diabetes	4	4	8	11	6	12	18	21
Exophthalmic Goitre	1	2	3	3	1	3	4	6
Anæmia	3	6	9	11	12	11	23	16
Other General Diseases	2	5	7	10	16	10	26	22
Local Diseases—								
Meningitis	13	6	19	14	23	14	37	31
Diseases of Spinal Cord	8	2	10	4	28	6	34	14
Hæmorrhage, &c., of Brain	21	22	43	48	57	42	99	110
General Paralysis	7	2	9	9	10	3	13	12
Convulsions (under 5)	9	6	15	13	24	33	57	49
Other Nervous Diseases	19	12	31	22	55	34	89	72
Endocarditis	11	6	17	11	22	11	33	22
Organic diseases of Heart	63	62	125	96	174	117	291	242
Other diseases Circulatory System	20	7	27	19	43	15	58	46
Bronchitis	14	10	24	31	31	33	64	80
Pneumonia, Broncho-pneumonia... ..	21	17	38	57	68	44	112	126
Other diseases Respiratory System	17	5	22	14	38	17	55	49
Diseases of Stomach	8	5	13	9	19	17	36	38
Diarrhœa and Enteritis (under 2)	100	85	185	155	246	201	447	347
" (over 2)... ..	18	20	38	22	68	56	124	81
Intestinal Obstruction	7	8	15	18	20	17	37	34
Cirrhosis of Liver	7	8	15	9	17	15	32	19
Appendicitis	15	5	20	20	29	11	40	39
Other diseases Digestive System... ..	14	13	27	20	41	36	77	55
Nephritis	51	30	81	65	99	57	156	109
Other diseases Urinary System	15	1	16	14	34	1	35	43
Diseases of Genital Organs ... ..	...	10	10	11	...	12	12	16
Puerperal Condition ... ..	...	25	25	28	...	73	73	52
Diseases of Skin	8	1	9	8	15	7	22	18
Diseases of Bones, &c.	6	2	8	3	9	3	12	6
Congenital Malformations	5	1	6	8	10	2	12	16
Diseases of Infancy	64	46	110	96	158	116	274	244
Old Age	21	28	49	53	130	76	206	193
Violence—								
Suicide	10	2	12	11	31	5	36	32
Accidents	54	13	67	53	223	63	286	193
Other External Violence	6	2	8	9	10	5	15	23
Not classed (Open Verdict)	3	2	5	4	12	3	15	16
Ill-defined Causes	15	20	35	20	68	43	111	93
Total	844	676	1,520	1,327	2,355	1,647	4,002	3,349

Mean annual death-rate per 1,000 of population—

Sydney and Suburbs.

New South Wales.

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No. 7.—Principal Articles Imported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.			1906.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	46,830	145,028	191,858	35,763	118,229	153,992
Animals, Living	1,877,934	60,210	1,938,144	1,471,482	59,621	1,531,103
Apparel and Attire	463,191	990,981	1,454,172	362,464	889,733	1,252,197
Piece Goods	323,431	3,160,393	3,483,824	239,411	2,710,081	2,949,492
Boots and Shoes	245,759	132,891	378,650	182,122	115,381	297,503
Cordage and Twines	32,754	54,046	86,800	41,668	39,611	81,279
Drugs and Chemicals	55,614	243,865	299,479	22,461	158,052	180,513
Fish—all kinds	35,100	126,841	161,941	20,914	98,577	119,491
Fruits and Vegetables	442,810	139,762	582,572	365,528	105,559	471,087
Furniture	52,816	117,172	169,988	35,546	97,782	133,328
Glass and Glassware	28,723	165,477	194,200	23,649	113,189	136,838
Gold—Coined and Uncoined... ..	3,405,937	1,048,343	4,454,280	3,529,330	1,586,999	5,116,329
Hats and Caps	83,484	178,561	262,045	74,803	151,809	226,612
Implements, &c.—Agricultural	120,883	101,741	222,624	172,296	79,101	251,397
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	35,812	369,716	405,528	19,271	311,445	330,716
Galvanized Sheet	49,014	398,722	447,736	38,814	296,066	334,880
Leather	118,139	181,209	299,348	125,281	168,956	294,237
Machines and Machinery	402,418	1,301,124	1,703,542	276,803	800,353	1,077,156
Metal Manufactures—Free	78,789	901,235	980,024	78,396	780,596	858,992
Dutiable	166,583	575,660	742,243	136,854	427,747	564,601
Oil—Kerosene	16,996	153,014	170,010	11,655	111,785	123,440
Spirits—all kinds	92,544	455,853	548,397	74,930	330,171	405,101
Sugar	789,352	46,022	835,374	883,235	190,466	1,073,701
Tea	48,090	512,656	560,746	37,435	381,069	418,504
Timber	263,679	652,317	915,996	187,332	526,413	713,745
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	144,901	354,616	499,517	141,585	258,371	399,956
Wool	1,685,715	7,013	1,692,728	1,469,328	1,385	1,470,713
All other Articles	7,488,506	8,285,923	15,774,429	7,003,504	6,694,956	13,698,460
Total	£ 18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363

No. 8.—Principal Articles Exported, 1907 and 1906.

Article.	1907.				1906.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Value.	
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Oversea.
			£	£	£	£
Animals, Living ... ..	.....	.....	2,620,804	95,347	2,408,436	92,210
Butter lb.	2,905,206	18,829,626	132,536	810,270	48,676	1,003,423
Coal tons	1,785,843	2,644,507	970,765	1,297,530	891,446	892,179
Copper, Ingots, & Matte cwt.	1,271	406,961	4,836	1,613,218	5,031	1,627,458
Gold—Coined and Uncoined... ..	.....	.....	625,604	2,664,070	685,772	5,932,214
Grain—Wheat cental	874,590	3,036,810	214,465	798,901	257,265	689,918
Flour "	475,553	777,876	198,856	319,662	177,051	285,482
Lead—Pig, and Matte cwt.	2,870,655	1,501,953	1,953,743	1,320,025	1,388,945	635,621
Leather ... ..	.....	.....	138,270	300,349	133,222	329,267
Meats—Mutton and Lamb lb.	6,167,052	55,831,419	73,360	614,996	75,035	538,771
Rabbits and Hares prs.	216,144	6,986,466	1,963	301,115	1,704	246,803
Oil—Cocoanut cwt.	5,545	119,276	10,247	195,816	4,406	151,292
Ores ... ..	.....	169,062	3,442	298,314	9,070	277,959
Silver Bullion, &c. oz.	6,619,479	3,343,122	628,255	429,084	506,912	105,155
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	655,011
Silver and Silver-lead Ore	679,261	797,251	138,103	430,860	94,980	446,921
Skins—Hides No.	65,318	197,239	78,864	189,010	86,975	146,393
Sheep "	643,283	3,943,123	132,220	502,893	90,618	403,166
Rabbit and Hare lb.	1,108,602	6,981,362	31,395	214,741	23,669	298,532
Other ... ..	.....	.....	9,466	286,664	4,718	415,678
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. cwt.	3,829,934	958,151	371,164	158,476	239,510	86,505
Tallow "	29,656	358,377	29,371	539,976	20,930	470,023
Timber ... ..	.....	.....	40,633	342,045	41,853	352,622
Tin, Ingots cwt.	221	85,268	1,924	727,333	5,456	700,806
Wool—Greasy and Scoured lb.	17,140,916	298,651,930	2,632,344	16,219,020	3,244,935	12,302,149
All other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	4,838,369	2,224,358	4,224,541	1,901,420
Total ... ..	£ .....	.....	15,880,999	32,894,073	14,651,156	30,986,888

No. 9.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897	8,972,854	12,771,496	21,744,350	7,788,077	15,962,995	23,751,072
1898	11,721,033	12,732,527	24,453,560	8,162,429	19,485,688	27,648,117
1899	10,868,437	14,725,878	25,594,315	8,862,274	19,583,192	28,445,466
1900	10,164,080	17,396,991	27,561,071	9,979,214	18,185,302	28,164,516
1901	9,368,011	17,560,207	26,928,218	9,140,497	18,210,625	27,351,122
1902	10,949,675	15,024,535	25,974,210	7,568,922	15,975,129	23,544,051
1903	12,792,252	13,977,917	26,770,169	7,876,898	18,941,161	26,818,059
1904	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958	9,918,050	23,086,484	33,004,534
1905	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	12,263,472	24,518,534	36,782,006
1906	17,061,860	17,603,503	34,665,363	14,651,156	30,986,888	45,638,044
1907	18,595,804	20,860,391	39,456,195	15,880,999†	32,894,073	48,775,072

NOTE.—The 1907 figures are preliminary, and subject to revision later.

No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase.
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January	917,216	1,756,542	2,673,758	1,499,770	1,560,746	3,060,516	(—) 386,758
February	1,182,813	1,898,371	3,081,184	1,213,964	1,805,776	3,019,740	61,444
March	939,573	1,760,035	2,699,608	1,282,876	1,548,164	2,831,040	(—) 131,432
April	1,075,968	1,570,902	2,646,870	924,064	1,830,097	2,754,161	(—) 107,291
Total (4 mths) £	4,115,570	6,985,850	11,101,420	4,920,674	6,744,783	11,665,457	(—) 564,037

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 11.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1908.			1907.			Increase.
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January	1,452,638	811,008	2,263,646	3,486,107	1,024,953	4,511,060	(—) 2,247,414
February	3,105,116	839,753	3,944,869	3,193,924	1,031,359	4,225,283	(—) 280,414
March	2,250,788	888,745	3,139,533	3,383,427	882,880	4,266,307	(—) 1,126,774
April	1,698,615	*	.....	2,002,802	988,690	2,991,492	(—) 304,187†
Total (4 mths) £	8,507,157	.....	.....	12,066,260	3,927,882	15,994,142	(—) 3,559,103†

* Not yet available.

† Oversea only.

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 12.—Principal Articles Imported during April, and during the four months January to April.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
April.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	2,299	14,202	16,501	2,021	14,279	16,300
Animals	136,565	10,383	146,948	44,819	9,953	54,772
Apparel and Soft Goods	36,183	324,459	360,642	47,899	437,990	485,889
Boots and Shoes	19,020	13,588	32,608	16,909	18,359	35,268
Cordage and Twines ... ..	.....	17,519	17,519	2,076	23,293	25,369
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	33,103	33,103	4,294	35,025	39,319
Fish—all kinds ... ..	.....	8,090	8,090	620	12,735	13,355
Fruits—Dried	975	703	1,678	13,903	2,740	16,643
Fresh	38,477	5,151	43,628	27,107	3,013	30,120
Furniture ... ..	.....	5,061	5,061	3,279	8,111	11,390
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	13,977	13,977	1,430	17,961	19,391
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	132,439	32,859	165,298	116,085	42,952	159,037
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	7,794	7,794	.....	10,004	10,004
Hats and Caps	6,827	8,802	15,629	5,057	17,461	22,518
Implements—Agricultural	10,706	8,141	18,847	12,099	11,495	23,594
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	416	28,686	29,102	247	31,151	31,398
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	28,193	28,193	.....	44,069	44,069
Leather	6,878	22,005	28,883	9,860	18,228	28,088
Machines and Machinery	11,809	142,722	154,531	15,829	117,214	133,043
Metal Manufactures—Free	351	68,726	69,077	345	103,922	104,267
Dutiable	8,999	61,289	70,288	7,524	58,229	66,353
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	3,442	3,442	.....	17,273	17,273
Spirits	3,630	14,173	17,803	3,191	32,395	35,586
Sugar	26,822	180	27,002	23,417	486	23,903
Tea ... ..	.....	37,694	37,694	.....	43,753	43,753
Timber	10,186	76,269	86,455	10,633	68,818	79,451
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	8,094	13,951	22,045	8,105	35,607	43,712
Wine	3,960	4,656	8,616	3,400	5,293	8,693
Wool	76,024	131	76,155	89,144	115	89,259
Other Articles	535,308	564,953	1,100,261	454,771	587,603	1,042,374
Total	£ 1,075,968	1,570,902	2,646,870	924,064	1,830,097	2,754,161
January to April.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	9,702	58,896	68,598	10,568	56,257	66,825
Animals	288,411	18,908	307,319	325,946	22,465	348,411
Apparel and Soft Goods	125,223	1,765,343	1,890,566	150,153	1,642,200	1,792,353
Boots and Shoes	63,307	56,219	119,526	50,978	50,984	101,962
Cordage and Twines	1,837	94,225	96,062	7,751	85,620	93,371
Drugs and Chemicals ... ..	.....	108,605	108,605	12,272	122,155	134,427
Fish—all kinds ... ..	.....	75,063	75,063	1,917	78,407	80,324
Fruits—Dried	2,091	5,353	7,444	21,412	12,779	34,191
Fresh	92,491	30,254	122,745	85,676	23,766	109,442
Furniture ... ..	.....	26,578	26,578	10,508	29,768	40,276
Glass and Glassware ... ..	.....	50,889	50,889	3,808	61,282	65,090
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	697,167	195,641	892,808	1,474,365	327,408	1,801,773
Grain—Rice ... ..	.....	28,852	28,852	.....	35,140	35,140
Hats and Caps	25,169	54,116	79,285	20,292	64,951	85,243
Implements—Agricultural	33,511	32,612	66,123	41,636	33,422	75,058
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c.	1,680	115,478	117,158	688	131,038	131,726
Galvanized Sheet ... ..	.....	103,651	103,651	.....	142,828	142,828
Leather	28,631	51,095	79,726	32,077	52,431	84,508
Machines and Machinery	37,996	499,771	537,767	53,973	416,282	470,255
Metal Manufactures—Free	1,195	209,326	210,521	9,181	345,274	354,455
Dutiable	36,179	268,083	304,262	23,874	216,168	240,042
Oil—Kerosene ... ..	.....	43,759	43,759	.....	102,263	102,263
Spirits	10,781	89,439	100,220	12,571	146,043	158,614
Sugar	146,856	109,011	255,867	136,491	11,505	147,996
Tea ... ..	.....	175,551	175,551	.....	183,296	183,296
Timber	33,894	236,419	270,313	34,667	204,570	239,237
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	31,431	48,858	80,289	38,544	116,264	154,808
Wine	17,738	17,256	34,994	13,581	16,836	30,417
Wool	336,062	2,130	338,192	487,090	2,860	489,950
Other Articles	2,094,218	2,414,469	4,508,687	1,860,655	2,070,521	3,871,176
Total	£ 4,115,570	6,985,850	11,101,420	4,920,674	6,744,783	11,665,457

No. 13.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during April, and during the four months—January to April.

Article.	1908.				1907.			
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.	
	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Total.
April.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	56	56	£ 3,871	£ 3,871	42	42	£ 1,515	£ 1,515
Butter lb.	1,693,188	1,693,188	74,115	74,115	1,464,120	1,464,120	61,474	61,474
Coal ton	192,761	192,761	103,589	103,589	140,126	140,126	69,964	69,964
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	24,642	24,642	70,699	70,699	25,594	25,594	118,760	118,760
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	1,483	1,597	1,180	1,295	2,503	2,782	1,622	1,897
Gold—Coined, Uncoined .....	.....	.....	432,176	432,176	.....	.....	229,009	229,009
Grain—Wheat... .. cntl.	104	104	37	37	305,290	305,290	82,525	82,525
Flour "	30,267	30,267	15,203	15,203	71,498	71,498	25,918	25,918
Lead cwt.	109,701	109,701	68,544	68,544	93,948	93,948	86,234	86,234
Leather ... .. "	.....	.....	12,745	13,370	.....	.....	21,772	21,996
Meats—Beef lb.	26,467	26,467	517	517	123,428	123,428	1,524	1,524
Mutton & Lamb ..	575,430	575,430	8,031	8,031	2,486,573	2,486,573	31,002	31,002
Rabbits & Hares pair	53,892	53,892	2,089	2,089	77,828	77,828	3,569	3,569
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	144,944	144,968	2,861	2,862	217,424	217,837	4,208	4,224
Oil—Cocconut cwt.	1,851	1,851	2,530	2,530	5,946	5,946	12,796	12,796
Dres, Spelter, &c. ... ..	.....	.....	68,210	68,221	.....	.....	54,998	54,998
Silver Bullion oz.	295,057	295,057	32,045	32,045	171,077	171,077	21,903	21,903
Skins—Hides No.	11,913	11,913	7,784	7,784	9,527	9,527	10,182	10,182
Sheep "	112,197	112,197	10,231	10,231	242,506	246,183	27,710	27,931
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	171,131	171,131	4,462	4,462	597,071	597,071	19,583	19,583
Other ... .. "	.....	.....	8,340	8,354	.....	.....	12,754	12,754
Tallow cwt.	11,371	11,371	15,246	15,246	15,465	15,465	33,883	33,883
Timber ... .. "	.....	.....	23,335	24,333	.....	.....	38,162	39,359
Tin, Ingots cwt.	4,469	4,469	31,476	31,476	5,553	5,553	51,110	51,110
Wine gal.	5,347	5,535	1,171	1,473	6,125	6,453	1,488	2,064
Wool lb.	10,088,587	10,088,587	529,876	529,876	13,570,831	13,570,831	801,336	801,336
Other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	71,070	166,186	.....	.....	80,925	175,292
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	1,602,033	1,698,615	.....	.....	1,905,926	2,002,802
January to April.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	2,787	2,787	18,979	18,979	835	835	19,857	19,857
Butter lb.	10,770,084	10,770,084	516,203	516,203	12,245,910	12,245,910	505,349	505,349
Coal ton	927,479	927,479	488,238	488,238	620,121	620,121	305,076	305,076
Copper, Ingots & Matte cwt.	121,386	121,386	345,640	345,640	107,774	107,774	539,270	539,270
Fruits—Fresh cntl.	10,031	10,871	7,833	8,702	13,220	14,213	8,474	9,488
Gold—Coined, Uncoined .....	.....	.....	993,061	993,061	.....	.....	785,713	785,713
Grain—Wheat... .. cntl.	138,423	138,423	52,325	52,325	2,667,835	2,667,835	679,082	679,082
Flour "	99,074	99,074	49,907	49,907	306,041	306,082	110,943	110,965
Lead cwt.	475,713	475,713	297,630	297,630	482,990	482,990	436,445	436,445
Leather ... .. "	.....	.....	77,858	80,138	.....	.....	103,257	107,636
Meats—Beef lb.	135,242	135,242	1,968	1,968	920,016	920,016	11,291	11,291
Mutton & Lamb ..	6,527,034	6,527,034	61,268	61,268	18,024,339	18,024,339	222,907	222,907
Rabbits & Hares pair	1,002,688	1,002,688	36,123	36,123	830,254	830,254	36,060	36,060
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	969,629	971,539	18,927	19,022	739,667	740,789	14,226	14,269
Oil—Cocconut... .. cwt.	16,925	16,925	23,433	23,433	21,945	21,950	48,249	48,434
Dres, Spelter, &c. ... ..	.....	.....	259,623	262,984	.....	.....	311,208	311,218
Silver Bullion oz.	1,105,889	1,122,067	119,147	120,947	1,063,746	1,063,746	135,869	135,869
Skins—Hides No.	61,884	61,884	44,992	44,992	53,955	53,955	53,687	53,687
Sheep "	801,822	801,822	71,009	71,009	1,269,709	1,273,386	152,201	152,422
Rabbit & Hare... lb.	700,293	700,293	18,855	18,855	1,587,628	1,587,628	52,359	52,359
Other ... .. "	.....	.....	31,609	31,635	.....	.....	68,391	68,391
Tallow cwt.	63,828	63,828	86,126	86,126	97,032	97,144	162,090	162,230
Timber ... .. "	.....	.....	91,569	98,075	.....	.....	98,979	106,442
Tin, Ingots cwt.	23,013	23,013	150,892	150,892	26,070	26,070	243,544	243,544
Wine gal.	21,426	22,754	5,280	6,732	12,725	13,362	3,725	4,814
Wool lb.	76,373,443	76,373,443	3,947,120	3,947,120	119,420,204	119,420,204	6,373,610	6,373,610
Other Articles ... ..	.....	.....	294,180	675,153	.....	.....	259,577	569,832
Total ... .. £	.....	.....	8,109,795	8,507,157	.....	.....	11,741,439	12,066,260

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 14.—Outward Interstate Transfers during March, and during the three months January to March.

NOTE.—The figures for April, 1908, are not yet available.

Article.	1908.			1907.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
March.						
Animals—Live	£ 63,540	£ 1,550	£ 65,090	£ 109,109	.....	£ 109,109
Apparel and Soft Goods	17,303	37,732	55,035	16,157	33,152	49,309
Biscuits	5,038	23	5,061	4,754	9	4,763
Boots and Shoes—Leather	12,226	1,753	13,979	11,788	2,290	14,078
Butter	14,118	.....	14,118	2,529	.....	2,529
Cement	3,427	10	3,437	4,053	12	4,665
Coal	113,691	.....	113,691	71,075	.....	71,075
Fruits—Fresh	6,246	309	6,555	7,185	787	7,972
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	32,200	.....	32,200	1,952	.....	1,952
Grain—Wheat	2,889	.....	2,889	25,641	.....	25,641
Flour	13,030	19	13,049	13,516	69	13,585
Hats and Caps	4,720	2,557	7,277	2,770	2,463	5,233
Leather	6,499	4,057	11,156	5,587	4,165	9,752
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	8,899	5,878	14,777	5,269	3,687	8,956
Free	1,602	2,235	3,837	3,078	2,900	5,978
Potatoes	3,453	.....	3,453	1,753	.....	1,753
Skins and Hides	12,948	.....	12,948	10,797	.....	10,797
Soap	4,003	.....	4,003	4,859	8	4,867
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	41,770	.....	41,770	28,873	1	28,874
Spirits	992	4,011	5,003	1,134	6,291	7,425
Sugar	15,497	.....	15,497	22,170	676	22,846
Tea ... ..	.....	10,866	10,866	.....	12,723	12,723
Timber	4,547	1,438	5,985	1,720	841	2,561
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	26,587	2,211	28,798	14,607	2,803	17,410
Wool	16,572	.....	16,572	8,998	.....	8,998
Other Articles	258,408	123,291	381,699	902,902	117,280	1,020,182
Total	£ 690,205	198,540	888,745	1,282,876	190,157	1,473,033
January to March.						
Animals—Live	255,531	3,150	258,681	364,105	895	365,000
Apparel and Soft Goods	38,526	82,108	120,634	39,273	81,326	120,599
Biscuits	13,547	25	13,572	12,947	105	13,052
Boots and Shoes—Leather	28,337	5,238	33,575	20,793	5,985	32,778
Butter	23,630	.....	23,630	5,568	.....	5,568
Cement	9,970	48	10,018	13,321	199	13,520
Coal	303,947	.....	303,947	210,394	.....	210,394
Fruits—Fresh	14,997	1,681	16,678	16,098	3,664	19,762
Gold—Coined and Uncoined	54,286	.....	54,286	35,504	.....	35,504
Grain—Wheat	32,505	.....	32,505	147,812	.....	147,812
Flour	46,118	46	46,164	35,510	205	35,715
Hats and Caps	8,811	5,942	14,753	6,475	7,223	13,698
Leather	19,296	13,222	32,518	14,865	15,346	30,211
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable	20,158	29,037	49,195	12,680	12,334	25,014
Free	2,587	6,274	8,861	8,044	9,936	17,980
Potatoes	8,936	.....	8,936	4,564	.....	4,564
Skins and Hides	33,334	5	33,339	41,693	80	41,773
Soap	11,884	2	11,886	13,025	9	13,034
Spelter, Concentrates, &c.	89,793	.....	89,793	54,237	1	54,238
Spirits	3,402	14,730	18,132	3,730	17,335	21,065
Sugar	67,991	4,012	72,003	76,395	2,538	78,933
Tea ... ..	.....	26,226	26,226	.....	27,585	27,585
Timber	10,609	2,279	12,888	4,894	1,588	6,482
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	58,870	5,412	64,282	44,489	8,637	53,126
Wool	80,449	.....	80,449	228,352	.....	228,352
Other Articles	788,584	313,971	1,102,555	1,016,261	307,172	1,323,433
Total	£ 2,026,098	513,408	2,539,506	2,437,029	502,163	2,939,192

No. 15.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1907.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	1,865,889	272,066	172,610	189,093	112,331	132,792	70,939
February...	1,817,098	269,583	122,692	163,793	67,696	158,748	98,419
March ...	1,889,287	139,933	148,573	205,818	170,184	128,970	65,754
April ...	801,336	108,443	61,474	229,009	108,137	118,760	69,964
May ...	351,413	72,016	32,872	456,983	115,633	180,440	111,292
June ...	401,198	52,269	3,551	431,925	111,361	167,514	135,289
July ...	355,256	45,779	10,926	177,833	110,417	159,571	99,875
August ...	352,263	55,027	19,485	213,924	128,713	127,016	133,457
September ...	1,148,653	40,785	34,199	159,935	134,325	132,058	112,351
October ...	2,354,234	37,574	60,207	108,252	96,793	117,157	131,048
November ...	2,859,644	13,280	48,996	122,765	128,230	98,051	95,520
December ...	2,021,564	11,849	94,685	206,894	103,346	102,141	173,626
1908.							
January ...	378,725	30,960	205,356	150,436	66,160	90,561	112,830
February...	1,986,483	17,624	109,676	191,865	62,177	93,347	140,959
March ...	1,052,026	38,408	127,056	218,584	100,749	91,033	130,860
April ...	529,876	15,240	74,115	432,176	68,544	70,699	103,589

No. 16.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,634	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,042,703	641,405
1906 ...	2,893	5,283,719	2,883	5,275,031	4,659,821	623,898	4,658,235	616,796
1907 ...	3,238	6,070,953	3,205	6,009,282	5,257,019	813,934	5,228,469	78,813
Jan.-Mar., 1908	800	1,530,890	827	1,575,580	1,387,300	143,590	1,379,775	195,805
„ 1907	739	1,377,622	749	1,400,706	1,167,248	210,374	1,219,011	181,695
Mar., 1908 ...	275	534,722	288	551,293	492,978	41,744	474,191	77,102
„ 1907 ...	273	484,203	282	511,441	395,706	88,497	443,889	67,552

NOTE.—The shipping figures for April, 1908, had not been received from the Customs Department at time of going to press. Those for March have, therefore, been allowed to stand.

No. 17.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1906.	1907.
Imports.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Australian States	7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	17,061,860	18,595,804
United Kingdom	11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	10,047,928	12,474,736
Canada ... ..	.....	18,784	61,742	114,321	150,132	200,173
Fiji	192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	55,478	97,373
Hongkong	340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	102,680	117,046
India and Ceylon	134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	848,792	1,059,919
New Zealand	899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	2,094,508	1,604,868
South Africa	290	55	34	1,013	3,263	6,374
Straits Settlements	40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	103,636	119,167
Other British Possessions ...	109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	87,570	103,916
Total, British Countries..	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	30,555,847	34,379,376
Belgium	195,318	139,819	150,288	147,661	394,805	504,268
China	303,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	10,823	39,188
France	345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	118,173	146,717
Germany	372,557	639,475	425,697	1,105,664	1,037,771	1,199,415
Italy	1,311	23,961	39,563	92,732	78,706	121,294
Japan	1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	180,519	235,179
New Caledonia	82,181	83,920	28,345	28,509	33,667	43,071
Philippine Islands	715	4,414	15,211	49,240	39,436	30,357
South Sea Islands	36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	132,732	145,836
United States	1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,702,428	2,335,409
Other Foreign Countries ...	90,095	178,295	63,099	448,279	380,456	276,085
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	4,109,516	5,076,819
Total, All Countries ...	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	34,665,363	39,456,195
Exports.						
Australian States	6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	14,651,156	15,880,999
United Kingdom	7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	12,174,155	13,687,977
Canada ... ..	.....	10	16,804	66,403	723,308	105,893
Fiji	128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	307,247	318,171
Hongkong	246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	431,748	482,219
India and Ceylon	130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,546,539	1,131,781
New Zealand	369,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	1,300,126	1,480,461
South Africa ... ..	.....	1,014	3,266	755,487	367,009	430,869
Straits Settlements	29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	160,996	218,866
Other British Possessions ...	30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	88,931	87,351
Total, British Countries..	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	31,751,215	33,824,587
Belgium	399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	3,263,310	3,531,502
China	21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	97,930	217,368
France	142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	3,179,531	4,475,962
Germany	29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,294,260	3,685,469
Italy	1,760	24,498	63,509	61,132	128,674	145,211
Japan	2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	633,730	486,083
New Caledonia	153,094	193,396	71,344	179,761	122,102	114,918
Philippine Islands ... ..	.....	16,410	18,603	88,043	234,658	311,301
South Sea Islands	68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	119,333	140,262
United States	985,531	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	2,963,288	811,942
Other Foreign Countries ...	151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	850,013	1,030,467
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	13,886,829	14,950,485
Total, All Countries ...	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	45,638,044	48,775,072

No. 18.—State Revenue, April, and 10 months July to April.

(Advances recovered are not included.)

Source of Revenue.	April.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July to April.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1907.	1908.		1906-7.	1907-8.	
Governmental—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Surplus Commonwealth Revenue ...	346,228	268,431	(-) 77,797	2,592,726	3,300,706	707,980
Taxation (by State) ...	81,826	73,079	(-) 8,747	1,027,739	805,154	(-) 222,585
Public Lands ...	226,847	179,462	(-) 47,385	1,597,214	1,571,008	(-) 26,206
All other sources ...	40,728	35,361	(-) 5,367	578,639	558,162	(-) 20,477
Gross Total ...	695,629	556,333	(-) 139,296	5,796,318	6,235,030	438,712
Refunds ...	13,106	13,409	303	112,177	119,087	6,910
Net Total ...	682,523	542,924	(-) 139,599	5,684,141	6,115,943	431,802
Business Undertakings by State—						
Railways and Tramways ...	509,008	520,577	11,569	4,681,775	5,064,620	382,845
Other ...	129,469	124,688	(-) 4,781	707,011	733,379	26,368
Gross Total ...	638,477	645,265	6,788	5,388,786	5,797,999	409,213
Refunds ...	2,210	8,602	6,392	38,737	73,951	35,214
Net Total ...	636,267	636,663	396	5,350,049	5,724,048	373,999
Gross Revenue and Receipts proper ...	1,334,106	1,201,598	(-) 132,508	11,185,104	12,033,029	847,925
Net Revenue and Receipts proper £	1,318,790	1,179,587	(-) 139,203	11,034,190	11,839,991	805,801

No. 19.—State Expenditure, April, and 10 months July to April.

(Advances made are not included.)

Distribution of Expenditure.	April.		Increase or Decrease (-)	July to April.		Increase or Decrease (-)
	1907.	1908.		1906-7.	1907-8.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental ...	390,883	405,073	14,190	4,165,042	4,038,874	(-) 126,168
Business Undertakings ...	265,784	310,927	45,143	2,860,708	3,094,738	234,030
Interest ...	527,361	526,459	(-) 902	3,097,686	3,032,339	(-) 65,347
Sinking Fund and Redemptions ...	.....	.....	.....	312,500	312,500	.....
Total Expenditure ...	£ 1,184,028	1,242,459	58,431	10,435,936	10,478,451	42,515

No. 20.—Transactions on Consolidated Revenue Account, 10 months July to April.

Particulars.	1906-7.	1907-8.
	£	£
Balance on 1st July ...	Cr. 896,124	Cr. 1,471,344
Revenue proper—Governmental ...	5,684,141	6,115,943
Business Undertakings ...	5,350,049	5,724,048
Other Receipts ...	324,463	458,294
Total Receipts ...	£ 11,358,653	12,298,285
Expenditure proper—Governmental ...	4,165,042	4,038,874
Business Undertakings ...	2,860,708	3,094,738
Interest ...	3,097,686	3,032,339
Sinking Fund Contributions ...	312,500	312,500
Transfer to Closer Settlement Account ...	200,000	200,000
Transfer to Public Works Account ...	718,051	1,058,409
Other Payments ...	223,791	440,857
Total Payments ...	£ 11,577,778	12,177,717
Balance on 30th April ...	Cr. 676,999	Cr. 1,591,912*

* Includes £500,000 placed on Fixed Deposit with Banks.

No. 21.—Commonwealth Revenue collected in State.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation.			Posts and Telegraphs.	Other Revenue.	Total.
	Customs.	Excise.	Total.			
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	820,012	198,996	1,019,008	276,936	1,019	1,296,963
1902	2,324,000	488,732	2,812,732	873,312	8,223	3,694,267
1903	2,861,710	617,032	3,478,742	906,798	5,479	4,391,019
1904	2,604,049	625,737	3,229,786	941,529	5,075	4,176,390
1905	2,390,735	642,882	3,033,617	980,141	6,969	4,020,727
1906	2,563,552	670,370	3,233,922	1,065,633	15,275	4,314,830
1907	2,845,786	727,527	3,573,313	1,191,508	16,998	4,781,819
†Mar., 1908 ...	2,853,957	646,291	3,500,248	950,851	17,584	4,468,683
„ 1907	2,139,393	542,148	2,681,541	884,034	12,520	3,578,095
‡Mar., 1908 ...	920,541	202,200	1,122,741	317,191	5,816	1,445,748
„ 1907	730,895	186,579	917,474	296,717	4,992	1,219,183

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Nine months ended 31st March.

‡ Three months ended 31st March.

No. 22.—Commonwealth Expenditure in State.

Year ended 30th June.	New Expenditure.	Customs and Excise.	Posts and Telegraphs.	Naval and Military.	Other.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
*1901	47,606	29,005	262,036	70,743	.....	409,390
1902	99,252	63,450	840,685	309,147	.....	1,312,534
1903	114,131	70,438	890,203	268,146	10	1,342,928
1904	167,043	69,188	950,107	298,757	.....	1,485,095
1905	290,847	68,724	894,595	237,892	.....	1,492,058
1906	187,340	73,431	984,371	327,734	25	1,572,901
1907	283,145	74,801	1,049,155	349,513	378	1,756,992
†Mar., 1908 ..	337,217	60,566	852,178	236,299	313	1,486,573
„ 1907	236,020	55,487	783,168	262,603	300	1,337,578
‡Mar., 1908 ...	45,752	21,935	284,205	72,318	200	424,410
„ 1907	52,400	18,882	291,396	77,172	300	440,150

* Half-year ended 30th June.

† Nine months ended 31st March.

‡ Three months ended 31st March.

No. 23.—Public Debt and Expenditure from Loans.

Year ended 30th June.	Public Debt at end of Year.	Expenditure from Loans during Year.				
		Reproductive Works.			Other Works and Services.	Total.
		Railways and Tramways.	Water Supply and Sewerage (including Water Conservation).	Harbours and Rivers (including Resumptions).		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897	61,074,498	476,674	440,109	240,172	391,150	1,548,105
1898	63,112,720	421,885	538,622	282,421	410,215	1,653,143
1899	63,762,066	589,156	579,738	370,680	486,370	2,025,944
1900	65,332,993	858,193	438,684	382,346	721,720	2,400,943
1901	67,301,246	1,085,747	532,691	505,199	661,392	2,785,029
1902	71,592,485	2,243,672	486,205	1,698,387	510,977	4,939,241
1903	77,092,987	1,683,755	554,581	2,017,346	457,704	4,713,386
1904	80,033,581	805,520	315,305	879,213	288,704	2,288,742
1905	82,321,998	501,710	242,770	465,712	361,065	1,571,257
1906	85,641,734	529,251	365,442	256,780	215,549	1,367,022
1907	85,607,832	421,742	344,345	167,677	124,789	1,058,553

NOTE.—Redemptions of loans are not included in the Expenditure, nor are repayments to credit of votes.

No. 24.—Net Revenue and Receipts of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
Governmental :—								
Taxation—								
By Commonwealth—Balance of Revenue collected and returned to State	£ 1,508,055	£ 1,641,563	£ 2,385,904	£ 3,053,133	£ 2,683,417	£ 2,529,070	£ 2,742,770	£ 3,022,351
By State	881,692	1,041,548	1,108,770	1,108,782	1,100,193	1,114,408	1,297,776	1,381,305
	£ 2,389,747	2,683,111	3,494,674	4,161,915	3,783,610	3,643,478	4,040,546	4,403,656
Land—								
Alienations	1,213,661	1,226,905	1,155,515	1,010,246	1,030,138	937,815	976,772	1,029,439
Revenue	894,772	835,072	841,559	791,219	827,188	820,087	753,115	851,373
	£ 2,108,433	2,061,977	1,997,074	1,801,465	1,857,326	1,757,902	1,729,887	1,880,812
Receipts for Services rendered	£ 317,297	344,322	375,333	351,966	373,711	358,570	372,575	330,640
Miscellaneous Receipts	£ 216,280	270,546	221,666	236,127	290,550	288,020	285,479	343,851
Total Governmental	£ 5,031,757	5,359,956	6,088,747	6,551,473	6,305,197	6,047,970	6,428,487	6,958,959
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners	3,563,376	4,099,085	4,324,432	4,079,788	4,263,744	4,527,368	5,051,954	5,596,428
Sydney Harbour Trust ... ..	.....	60,602	217,391	256,133	261,659	253,581	270,689	298,037
Metropolitan Board of Water Supply and Sewerage ...	319,849	327,214	347,710	376,221	385,793	473,562	492,195	496,794
Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Board ...	30,707	27,806	29,076	32,453	31,934	34,437	39,757	42,217
Total Business Undertakings	£ 3,913,932	4,514,707	4,918,609	4,744,595	4,943,130	5,288,948	5,854,595	6,433,476
Total	8,945,689	9,874,663	11,007,356	11,296,068	11,248,327	11,336,918	12,283,082	13,392,435
Other Receipts (Advances Repaid, &c.)	31,609	24,612	49,112	92,830	103,868	47,753	8,285	14,108
Grand Total	£ 8,977,298	9,899,275	11,056,468	11,388,898	11,352,195	11,384,671	12,291,367	13,406,543

* Adjusted amounts for purposes of comparison, Commonwealth transferred services excluded.

No. 25.—Net Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, 1899–1900 to 1906–7.

	1899–1900.	1900–1.	1901–2.	1902–3.	1903–4.	1904–5.	1905–6.	1906–7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governmental :—								
Interest on Public Debt and on Funds in temporary possession of Govt.*	620,867	580,517	737,578	895,732	831,527	883,236	938,398	907,026
Old-age Pensions and Administration ... ..	.....	40	453,279	553,507	531,983	518,656	510,343	515,177
Other Pensions, Retiring Allowances, &c.	30,835	44,629	44,299	37,589	†131,096	†170,909	†170,685	†167,947
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, including Electoral Office	8,136	14,361	27,160	12,710	22,586	42,048	10,464	20,426
Parliamentary Allowances and Postage	34,002	33,303	32,694	35,014	34,746	32,210	29,129	29,503
Endowments and Grants—								
Municipalities, including Municipal Rates on Government Buildings	28,818	29,330	55,516	43,585	45,480	21,172	17,884	66,815
Fire and Water Brigades	13,522	15,633	17,517	16,785	22,354	15,790	20,052	19,457
Miners' Accident Relief and Administration ... ..	.....	2,002	9,043	10,329	11,668	11,875	12,747	13,778
Hospitals, Benevolent Societies, Coast Hospital, other Charitable Institutions	103,995	108,214	122,521	114,948	109,779	121,568	142,934	121,856
Fire and Flood Relief	149	1,620	132	882	98	5,278	220	86
Agricultural, Pastoral, and Horticultural Societies	14,934	15,404	15,986	13,071	11,410	14,363	8,936	17,390
Public Charities, including Government Asylums, State Children, Aborigines, and Maintenance of Paupers	157,134	130,388	159,703	167,589	166,148	154,364	149,339	144,933
Lunacy, including Master-in-Lunacy	110,705	114,568	125,436	147,238	138,847	128,062	135,367	135,728
Public Instruction, including Reformatories and Grants to Educational and Scientific Institutions	773,653	789,206	874,692	904,142	912,621	915,586	937,840	943,638
Public Works, including Establishment	839,940	983,851	1,022,963	924,881	770,240	693,657	788,522	637,582
Labour and Industry, including Unemployed	9,661	9,182	13,220	17,414	21,355	11,087	12,821	7,856
Local Government Endowments, &c. ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	126,583
Extraordinary Services—								
Bubonic Plague	84,451	92,065	5,235	23,094	5,144	3,456	2,094	2,641
Military and Naval Contingents—South Africa and China	157,985	225,458	49,472	10,847	1,264	194	1,079	24,284
Federal Celebrations and Royal Receptions ... ..	.....	121,528	21,477	514	1,981	.....	.....	.....
All other Services of the State under Public Departments	1,805,465	1,932,017	1,961,519	1,952,191	1,913,964	1,841,543	1,816,518	1,899,999
Total—Governmental	£4,794,252	5,243,316	5,749,442	5,882,062	5,684,291	5,576,054	5,705,372	5,802,705
Business Undertakings by the State :—								
By Railway Commissioners, Sydney Harbour Trust, Metropolitan and Hunter District Boards of Water Supply and Sewerage—								
Working Expenses	2,197,999	2,586,475	3,002,680	3,169,470	3,132,636	3,131,826	3,184,816	3,444,243
Interest on Capitals	†1,788,948	†1,892,780	†1,981,501	†2,046,289	†2,133,548	2,167,782	2,136,660	2,220,708
Total Business Undertakings	£3,986,947	4,479,255	4,984,181	5,215,759	5,266,184	5,299,608	5,321,476	5,673,951
Sinking Fund Instalments	264,561	269,412	274,550	369,413	369,413	319,413	360,016	405,090
Public Works Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	718,051
Closer Settlement Fund—Transfers in aid ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200,000
Total	£9,045,760	9,991,983	11,008,173	11,467,234	11,319,888	11,195,075	11,386,864	12,799,797
Advances made	30,319	77,221	132,889	169,239	72,015	2,423	8,378	31,526
Grand Total	£9,076,079	10,069,204	11,141,062	11,636,473	11,391,903	11,197,498	11,395,242	12,831,323

* Excludes proportion chargeable to the four corporate bodies. † Includes pensions under Public Service (Superannuation) Act, No. 8 of 1903, 4 per cent. deductions from salaries being paid to Revenue. ‡ For years 1899–1900 to 1903–4, figures for interest on capitals are approximate only, as the capital debt of the four corporate bodies was not definitely settled.

No. 26.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.		Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	...	1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776
1897	...	1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,606,735	79,711	31,026,523
1898	...	1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,852,711	54,228	31,311,293
1899	...	1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,055,059
1900	...	1,447,641	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731
1901	...	1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832
1902	...	1,454,415	208,521	12,587,097	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428
1903	...	1,378,642	228,059	12,591,637	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541
1904	...	1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,028	34,901,232
1905	...	1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,627	37,071,054	140,118	38,860,062
1906	...	1,564,670	313,946	16,834,600	22,585,802	39,420,492	117,629	41,416,737
1907	...	1,756,696	263,018	18,729,709	24,034,857	42,764,566	153,186	44,937,466
31 March, 1908	...	1,720,484	308,685	19,559,899	24,171,544	43,731,443	208,340	45,968,952
31 March, 1907	...	1,663,162	306,160	19,034,018	22,757,349	41,791,367	102,038	43,862,727

No. 27.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.*)

Quarter ended 31st December.		Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	...	6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,466	44,527,828
1897	...	5,766,554	175,037	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519	43,980,722
1898	...	5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,403,700	256,997	399,543	42,638,224
1899	...	5,865,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,652	42,194,661
1900	...	5,933,076	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816	43,030,427
1901	...	5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181	43,437,559
1902	...	6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097	43,630,491
1903	...	5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904	43,165,576
1904	...	6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	204,615	41,606,948
1905	...	8,624,083	199,177	1,799,231	32,447,659	326,750	297,237	43,694,137
1906	...	7,247,347	260,016	1,819,417	34,415,596	335,979	379,602	44,457,957
1907	...	9,342,531	209,454	1,746,940	37,244,216	359,038	443,636	49,345,915
31 March, 1908	...	9,949,156	209,635	1,778,341	37,437,277	333,109	404,916	50,112,434
31 March, 1907	...	8,552,808	226,354	1,783,913	34,032,294	350,903	506,399	45,452,671

* From June, 1907, the returns of fourteen banks are shown, the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris being included.

No. 28.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.				Amount.	Year.				Amount.
				£					£
1896	...	...	...	116,962,784	1902	...	...	...	178,637,708
1897	...	...	...	121,645,873	1903	...	...	...	180,961,406
1898	...	...	...	126,978,018	1904	...	...	...	177,797,335
1899	...	...	...	146,188,144	1905	...	...	...	189,826,381
1900	...	...	...	144,080,314	1906	...	...	...	220,860,512
1901	...	...	...	167,676,707	1907	...	...	...	234,169,822
Total, 1st January to 27th April, 1908				...	...				£72,726,597
" " " 29th April, 1907				...	...				£77,106,949

No. 29.—Savings Banks.

Year. (31st December.)	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
	No.	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9	7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4	7 3 4
1899	260,826	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1	7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,332	831,948	38 11 5	7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0	8 11 4
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10	8 16 6
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9	8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6	8 14 5
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11	9 0 5
1906	392,050	15,320,532	1,822,280	39 1 7	10 0 2
1907	421,928	17,530,157	2,209,625	41 10 11	11 3 2

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 30.—Life Assurance.—Business in force (exclusive of Industrial).

NOTE.—This Table refers to all offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Number of Policies.	Assurances.			Annual Premium Income.
		Sums Assured (exclusive of Bonuses).	Bonus Additions.	Total.	
		£	£	£	£
1896	280,113	80,587,515	9,475,207	90,062,722	2,714,808
1897	290,112	82,216,900	9,721,036	91,937,936	2,769,612
1898	306,916	85,630,767	11,093,343	96,724,110	2,903,218
1899	327,618	89,996,612	10,533,800	100,530,412	3,037,142
1900	349,485	93,888,153	11,190,189	105,078,342	3,168,898
1901	372,823	98,168,271	11,510,243	109,678,514	3,327,803
1902	392,369	102,006,915	11,507,608	113,514,523	3,467,718
1903	418,745	107,786,226	12,585,828	120,372,054	3,677,680
1904	440,005	112,357,451	13,418,599	125,776,050	3,845,577
1905	459,675	116,115,582	13,846,138	129,961,720	3,982,421
1906	445,156	107,711,543	13,962,278	121,673,821	3,698,031

The figures for 1906 represent Australasian business only ; prior to that year the whole business of the Institutions, wherever carried on, is included.

No. 31.—Life Assurance.—Assets and Liabilities.

NOTE.—This table refers only to Australasian offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Assets.			Liabilities.		
	Loans on Mortgages and Policies.	Government and Municipal Securities, Freehold Property, Cash on Deposit, &c.	Total.	Assurance, Endowment, and Annuity Funds.	Paid-up Capital, Reserve Funds, &c.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1896	16,597,379	5,736,667	22,334,046	21,399,835	934,211	22,334,046
1897	17,360,627	6,036,232	23,396,859	22,537,196	859,663	23,396,859
1898	17,038,041	7,484,151	24,522,192	23,654,709	867,483	24,522,192
1899	18,272,621	7,777,844	26,050,465	25,130,924	919,541	26,050,465
1900	19,013,579	8,457,644	27,471,223	26,491,025	980,198	27,471,223
1901	19,048,449	9,891,691	28,940,140	27,932,313	1,007,827	28,940,140
1902	19,680,288	10,910,108	30,590,486	29,518,852	1,071,634	30,590,486
1903	20,599,387	11,609,060	32,208,447	31,160,834	1,047,613	32,208,447
1904	21,739,875	12,501,434	34,241,309	33,264,382	976,927	34,241,309
1905	22,072,061	13,795,301	35,867,362	34,915,842	951,520	35,867,362
1906	24,379,196	12,556,320	36,935,516	35,338,435	1,597,081	36,935,516

No. 32.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops. *
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1898	993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,821,829
1899	1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,602	2,439,639
1901	1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,564
1902	1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	496,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,298	2,672,973
1906	1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,279	2,838,081
1907	1,866,253	174,115	56,431	10,378	458,072	4,951	2,824,211
1908	1,390,171	168,258	75,762	9,132	541,781	4,720	2,570,137

* The figures in this column are exclusive of areas double-cropped.

No. 33.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1898	10,560,111	6,713,600	543,946	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	891,190	5,855,674
1902	14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,203
1903	1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,924
1905	16,464,415	4,951,132	652,646	199,640	366,293	928,160	5,413,710
1906	20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,050
1907	21,817,938	5,763,000	1,404,554	221,560	621,846	1,140,000	7,517,550
1908	9,074,156	4,965,000	851,776	263,235	367,813	*	*

* Not yet available.

No. 34.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1898	10'6	32'0	19'0	20'8	1'0	193	3 8 7
1899	7'0	31'4	14'0	19'8	0'7	185	2 4 3
1900	9'5	27'8	21'6	18'1	1'0	160	2 6 0
1901	10'6	30'5	20'2	19'0	1'1	197	2 8 0
1902	10'6	22'9	21'3	21'4	1'1	178	3 2 0
1903	1'2	15'1	8'2	20'9	0'5	160	1 16 10
1904	17'5	30'1	24'3	21'9	1'6	213	3 5 9
1905	9'3	25'6	16'1	20'4	0'8	175	2 0 6
1906	10'7	29'3	22'9	19'6	1'0	157	2 6 1
1907	11'7	33'1	24'9	21'3	1'4	230	2 13 3
Mean for 10 years	10'1	27'8	19'7	20'3	1'0	185	2 11 7
1908	6'5	29'5	11'2	28'8	0 7	*	*

* Not yet available.

No. 35.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.*	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1897	498,934	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897	207,738
1898	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004	247,061
1899	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514	239,973
1900	481,417	420,148	1,562,968	40,020,506	256,577
1901	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099	265,730
1902	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424	193,097
1903	458,014	523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501	221,592
1904	482,663	591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
1905	506,884	644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702
1906	537,762	713,049	1,836,895	44,132,421	243,370
1907	578,671	753,043	1,973,922	44,555,879	216,116

*NOTE.—Up to 1902 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The figures for the last three years are made up as follows:—

Year.	Milch Cows.	Cows at present dry.	Heifers within 3 months of calving.	Total Dairy Cows.
1905	442,950	154,655	46,559	644,164
1906	494,820	172,888	45,341	713,049
1907	505,399	203,923	43,721	753,043

No. 36.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1897	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168	6,544,781
1898	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312	7,184,058
1899	254,833,000	389,838	33,033,881	2,385,987	6,831,943
1900	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823	10,863,125
1901	310,075,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835	11,080,891
1902	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038	8,995,856
1903	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176	7,864,771
1904	250,941,000	353,082	53,591,243	4,223,621	10,680,532
1905	297,154,000	495,157	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,652,440
1906	325,441,000	487,911	58,941,137	5,389,345	11,843,595
1907	*	*	59,418,830	4,680,130	9,851,780

* Not yet available.

No. 37.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis, and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver, Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year	1,000	1,000	1,000
1906 " "	1,277	1,316	1,432
1907 " "	1,343	1,354	1,461
April, 1902	1,030	1,070	960
" 1903	1,110	1,171	1,036
" 1904	1,031	1,067	1,006
" 1905	1,098	1,142	1,070
" 1906	1,262	1,324	1,393
" 1907	1,372	1,438	1,541
July, 1907	1,400	1,378	1,573
August, "	1,313	1,291	1,436
December, "	1,207	1,246	1,085
January, 1908	1,222	1,240	1,087
February, "	1,213	1,202	1,081
March, "	1,179	1,153	1,083
April, 1908	1,180	1,160	1,092

No. 38.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
April, 1907 ...	31 3	7 17 0	98	91	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 10	37 6
May, " ...	32 9	8 10 0	97	90	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 10	37 6
June, " ...	34 6	8 11 6	96	91	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	33 6
July, " ...	35 3	8 16 0	97	93	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	34 0
August, " ...	35 0	9 2 0	100	95	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	35 0
September, " ...	40 0	9 13 0	98	96	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	35 0
October, " ...	42 9	10 7 0	119	112	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	34 3
November, " ...	44 0	10 12 0	119	112	13	1 11	34 0
December, " ...	45 0	10 11 6	120	114	13	1 11	33 3
January, 1908 ...	43 6	10 13 0	122	115	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 0
February, " ...	38 9	10 5 0	136	126	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 6
March, " ...	37 9	9 18 9	117	109	12	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 0
April, " ...	38 6	9 10 0	111	105	12	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	32 3

No. 39.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.				Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.
				per bushel. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. d.	per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
April, 1907 ...	...	...	...	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 5 0	9 $\frac{3}{8}$	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 7	2 8 $\frac{1}{4}$
May, " ...	...	...	...	3 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 0 0	11 $\frac{7}{8}$	11 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 9 $\frac{3}{8}$	3 1
June, " ...	...	...	...	3 8	8 13 6	11 $\frac{1}{8}$	11 $\frac{1}{8}$	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
July, " ...	...	...	...	3 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 0 0	10 $\frac{1}{8}$	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 10	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
August, " ...	...	...	...	3 11	8 19 0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 10	2 9
September, " ...	...	...	...	4 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	9 10 6	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 9 $\frac{1}{8}$	3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
October, " ...	...	...	...	5 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 12 6	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 4	4 4 $\frac{3}{4}$
November, " ...	...	...	...	4 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 7 6	15	15	3 5 $\frac{3}{8}$	4 6 $\frac{1}{4}$
December, " ...	...	...	...	4 5	10 2 6	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	15	3 3	4 10 $\frac{1}{4}$
January, 1908 ...	...	...	...	4 6	10 9 6	15 $\frac{1}{4}$	15 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 0
February, " ...	...	...	...	4 4	9 16 0	14	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 8
March, " ...	...	...	...	4 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 16 3	14 $\frac{5}{8}$	17	3 2	4 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
April, " ...	...	...	...	4 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 16 9	17	18	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 9

				Hay (Oaten).	Butter (Best Brands).	Cheese (Loaf).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.
				per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. d.
April, 1907 ...	...	...	...	3 0 0	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	4 $\frac{1}{4}$	15 $\frac{3}{8}$
May, " ...	...	...	...	4 1 6	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	7 $\frac{1}{8}$	5	17 $\frac{1}{4}$
June, " ...	...	...	...	4 2 6	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{3}{4}$	5	16 $\frac{3}{4}$
July, " ...	...	...	...	4 3 3	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	16
August, " ...	...	...	...	3 11 9	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$
September, " ...	...	...	...	4 11 8	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	5 $\frac{3}{8}$	8
October, " ...	...	...	...	6 1 9	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{3}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{8}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
November, " ...	...	...	...	6 10 0	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{3}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{8}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
December, " ...	...	...	...	6 5 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
January, 1908 ...	...	...	...	6 5 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	7	10
February, " ...	...	...	...	5 9 6	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
March, " ...	...	...	...	5 16 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	15 $\frac{1}{4}$
April, " ...	...	...	...	6 0 0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	8	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	7	17

No. 40.—Gold produced, January to April, and Minerals exported, January to March.

Gold yield during the first four months of the years 1908 and 1907.

	1908.		1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to March ...	62,562	265,747	72,481	307,882
April ...	14,739	62,608	13,404	56,935
Total for four months ...	77,301	328,355	85,885	364,817

Exports of Minerals during the first quarter, 1908 and 1907.

Exports.	First quarter, 1908.		First quarter, 1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		£		£
Silver ingots and matte ... oz.	563,823	60,406	117,637	15,327
Silver-lead, concentrates, &c... tons	98,235	589,647	96,772	867,439
Copper ingots, and ore* ... "	2,658	144,975	2,521	235,164
Tin ingots and ore* ... "	547	68,136	791	142,993
Coal—				
To Australasian Ports ... "	700,367	307,607	534,546	221,721
" other ... "	980,027	518,858	699,485	342,811
Total export ...	1,680,394	826,465	1,234,031	564,532
		1,689,629		1,825,455

* The exports of tin and copper include metal refined from ores imported from other States and treated here. The quantity and value of the copper and tin ore imported during the first quarter of the years 1908 and 1907 are as follows:—

	First quarter, 1908.		First quarter, 1907.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	tons.	£	tons.	£
Copper ..	291	6,134	1,518	23,485
Tin ..	273	20,852	269	29,310

The silver and coal exports represent the product of the mines of this State.

No. 41.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1906 and 1907.

Minerals.	1906.		1907.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
		£		£		£
Metallic—						
Gold ... oz. fine	253 987	1,078,866	247,363	1,050,730	.....	28,136
Silver ... "	284,994	36,431	2,043,887	257,314	220,883	.....
Silver—lead and ore ... ton	37 1,939	2,826,542	434,079	3,658,632	832,090	.....
Lead—pig, &c.... "	59	1,084	19,768	374,182	373,098	.....
Zinc spelter & concentrates ..	103,666	292,806	237,219	536,620	243,814	.....
Tin ingots and ore ... "	1,671	255,744	1,914	293,305	37,561	.....
Copper ingots and ore... "	9,755	789,527	10,098	727,774	.....	61,753
Antimony and ore ... "	2,451	52,645	1,752	46,278	.....	6,367
Bismuth ... "	25	5,700	16	5,268	.....	432
Wolfram ... "	132	9,957	207	26,235	17,178	.....
Scheelite ... "	109	7,647	196	23,781	16,134	.....
Molybdenite ... "	33	4,798	22	3,564	.....	1,234
Platinum ... oz.	205	623	276	1,014	391	.....
Iron ... ton	.....	.....	18,631	60,550	60,550	.....
Non-metallic—						
Coal ... ton	7,626,362	2,337,227	8,657,924	2,922,419	585,192	.....
Coke ... "	186,060	110,607	254,609	159,316	48,709	.....
Kerosene shale ..	32,446	28,470	47,331	32,055	3,585	.....
Alunite ... "	1,856	4,637	2,088	5,115	478	.....
Limestone flux... "	12,788	7,463	41,667	16,162	8,699	.....
Ironstone flux ... "	935	723	10,659	7,707	6,984	.....
Marble ... "	.....	1,518	.....	2,200	682	.....
Diamonds ... carat	2,827	2,120	2,539	2,056	.....	64
Opal ... "	.....	56,500	.....	79,000	22,500	.....
Sundry minerals ...	.....	1,981	.....	4,013	2,032	.....
Total ... £	.....	7,912,716	.....	10,295,290	2,480,560	97,986
					Net increase £2,382,574.	

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £112,848 in 1906 and £118,082 in 1907, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £144,060 and £164,006, respectively, in 1906 and 1907. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 42.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.	Total Minerals Produced.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1897 ...	1,104,315	1,698,239	283,174	49,900	1,230,041	4,648,119
1898 ...	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833	4,801,585
1899 ...	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799	6,089,749
1900 ...	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911	6,362,078
1901 ...	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929	5,680,739
1902 ...	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598	5,102,321
1903 ...	1,080,029	1,501,403	462,640	150,208	2,319,660	5,957,512
1904 ...	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952	6,243,261
1905 ...	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461	6,897,081
1906 ...	1,078,866	2,862,973	789,527	255,744	2,337,227	7,912,716
1907 ...	1,050,730	3,915,946	727,774	293,305	2,922,419	10,295,290

No. 43.—Manufactories.

Year.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
		No.	No.	No.	£	£	£
1897 ...	2,826	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	Not available.	
1898 ...	2,839	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,696	„	
1899 ...	2,912	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	„	
1900 ...	3,077	50,516	10,263	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available
1901 ...	3,367	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1902 ...	3,396	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available
1903 ...	3,476	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1904 ...	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905 ...	3,700	56,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150
*1906 ...	3,861	59,979	17,843	77,822	8,295,337	5,591,888	34,796,169
*1907 ...	4,387	66,667	20,527	87,194	†	6,679,418	†

* See also Table 44. † Not yet available.

No. 44.—Manufacturing Industries.

1907.						
Class of Industry.	Number of Establishments.	Hands Employed.				Wages Paid.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Total, 1906.	
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	283	3,734	24	3,758	3,209	£ 244,413
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	41	544	109	653	681	46,730
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	256	3,715	84	3,799	3,877	328,465
Working in Wood ...	521	6,168	21	6,189	5,205	490,613
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	429	18,077	58	18,135	15,339	1,877,462
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	750	9,670	2,577	12,247	11,607	908,389
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	881	6,971	14,904	21,875	19,650	1,048,603
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	364	5,942	1,748	7,690	6,961	642,267
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	12	346	37	383	338	35,763
Arms and Explosives ...	2	10	2	12	17	883
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	343	3,399	63	3,462	2,667	246,336
Ship and Boat Building ...	36	1,701	1	1,702	1,595	196,518
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	142	2,304	167	2,471	2,317	190,161
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	52	742	379	1,121	1,012	82,952
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	9	68	18	86	86	6,387
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	47	568	60	628	457	48,723
Heat, Light, and Power ...	155	1,940	62	2,002	1,883	227,357
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	15	244	31	275	240	16,969
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	49	524	182	706	681	40,427
Total ...	4,387	66,667	20,527	87,194	77,822	6,679,418

1906.					
	Value of Machinery, Implements, and Plant.	Value of Materials used.	Value of Fuel Consumed.	Value of Goods Manufactured or work done.	Value of Production, being value added to Raw Materials.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	245,696	3,288,006	20,314	†3,855,204	546,884
Oils and Fats—Animal, Vegetable, &c. ...	158,157	420,149	7,483	621,016	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c. ...	426,543	144,007	77,354	722,627	501,266
Working in Wood ...	365,780	1,105,105	10,705	1,806,846	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c. ...	1,511,896	4,195,818	229,602	7,631,010	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,537,270	9,258,104	112,545	11,955,522	2,584,873
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Materials	286,040	1,890,906	12,775	3,414,603	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	671,321	476,461	13,623	1,396,774	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c. ...	4,815	43,295	237	102,875	59,343
Arms and Explosives ...	270	2,475	21	4,521	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	43,790	228,010	4,974	536,426	303,433
Ship and Boat Building ...	161,269	80,748	4,836	284,178	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery ...	32,336	264,927	1,804	531,168	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products ...	107,276	259,701	5,856	487,610	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments...	2,570	8,973	239	22,924	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	12,192	41,847	522	99,838	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power ...	1,705,857	232,351	105,829	1,062,466	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	6,085	69,475	340	97,981	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i. ...	16,174	92,318	939	162,580	69,323
Total ...	£ 8,295,337	22,102,685	609,998	34,796,169	12,083,486*

* If £222,824, the value added to articles already included in primary industries be deducted, the total value of the production from the manufacturing industries is £11,860,662.

† Including value of wool treated.

No. 45.—Manufactories—Value of Production, 1901–1906.

Class of Industry.	1901. (Census Year)	1903.	1904.	1905.	1906.
	£	£	£	£	£
Treating Raw Materials, Product of Pastoral Pursuits, &c.	337,739	547,636	449,521	457,067	546,884
Oils and Fats, &c.	160,718	162,491	179,690	177,877	193,384
Processes in Stone, Clay, Glass, &c.	422,272	445,774	399,459	462,447	501,266
Working in Wood	649,149	647,463	609,255	645,027	691,036
Metal Works, Machinery, &c.	2,443,432	2,382,185	2,485,649	2,781,996	3,205,590
Connected with Food, Drink, and Narcotics	2,231,942	1,919,746	2,053,276	2,138,487	2,362,049
Clothing and Textile Fabrics and Material	1,091,244	1,150,871	1,219,217	1,289,527	1,510,922
Books, Paper, Printing, and Engraving ...	950,771	802,860	851,780	847,996	906,690
Musical Instruments, &c.	22,309	29,511	30,708	54,799	59,343
Arms and Explosives	1,480	3,065	1,924	1,541	2,025
Vehicles and Fittings, Saddlery, Harness, &c.	266,016	198,391	239,727	257,251	303,433
Ship and Boat Building	148,800	207,932	205,392	179,380	198,594
Furniture, Bedding, and Upholstery	220,434	209,395	199,025	228,903	264,437
Drugs, Chemicals, and By-products	74,006	108,299	148,785	199,100	222,053
Surgical and other Scientific Instruments ..	17,304	9,145	10,700	10,925	13,712
Jewellery, Timepieces, and Platedware ...	24,698	31,043	41,048	48,705	57,469
Heat, Light, and Power	624,567	681,190	707,356	739,397	724,286
Leatherware, n.e.i.	12,243	16,303	20,955	24,229	28,166
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	37,047	46,490	46,646	53,799	69,323
Total ...	9,736,171	9,599,790	9,900,113	10,598,453	11,860,662

NOTE.—The value of production from factories dealing with milk products is omitted, as it has already been included in the returns of the Dairying Industry.

No. 46.—Value of Production—Principal Industries—1891–1907.

The following figures represent the estimated Value of Production from the various Industries at the place of production. The figures are not exact, but are considered the best approximations from the data available.

(In thousands, 000 omitted.)

Year.	Pastoral	Agricul- tural.	Mining.	Dairying.	Minor— Poultry, Bees, Rabbits.	Forests and Fisheries.	Total Primary Industries.	Manufac- turing (Value added to raw materials).	Total All Industries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1891 ...	14,725	3,615	6,434	2,735	*	758	28,267	7,799	36,066
1894 ...	11,168	3,439	4,947	2,548	*	690	22,792	6,880	29,672
1895 ...	11,774	4,101	4,499	2,546	*	715	23,635	7,006	30,641
1896 ...	11,774	5,374	4,465	2,546	*	715	24,874	7,302	32,176
1897 ...	11,823	6,250	4,616	2,653	*	750	26,092	8,079	34,171
1898 ...	13,219	4,875	4,756	2,758	*	800	26,408	8,425	34,833
1899 ...	14,527	5,609	5,960	2,543	*	639	29,278	9,207	38,485
1900 ...	13,707	5,856	6,362	3,617	*	796	30,338	9,656	39,994
1901 ...	12,552	7,060	5,681	3,046	*	733	29,072	9,736	38,808
1902 ...	10,731	4,139	5,102	3,403	*	695	24,070	10,000	34,070
1903 ...	12,777	8,359	5,958	3,276	*	779	31,149	9,600	40,749
1904 ...	13,373	5,414	6,243	2,753	799	900	29,482	9,900	39,382
1905 ...	17,113	6,543	6,897	3,123	1,228	1,190	36,094	10,598	46,692
1906 ...	19,743	7,518	7,913	3,425	1,693	1,536	41,828	11,861	53,689
1907† ...	22,750	6,710	10,295	3,400	1,845	1,500	46,500	12,500	59,000

* Prior to 1904 included with the Dairying Industry.

† The 1907 figures are preliminary only and will be amended later.

No. 47.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net Earnings.	Train miles run.	Net Earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1897	2,640	37,369,205	1,413,524	8,130,405	3 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	22,672,924
1898	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	23,233,206
1899	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	24,726,067
1900	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	26,486,873
1901	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	29,261,324
1902	3,026	40,565,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	30,885,214
1903	3,139	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	32,384,138
1904	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	33,792,689
1905	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,467,886	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	35,158,150
1906	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
1907	3,453	44,700,230	2,209,665	12,919,068	3 5	41,413,084
* March, 1908	3,468	44,700,230	577,152	3,457,644	3 4	11,954,832
* „ 1907	3,453	43,626,063	632,531	3,382,035	3 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	10,497,491

* Quarter ended 31st March.

No. 48.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1896	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418	2,796,776
1897	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778	2,728,360
1898	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242	2,866,570
1899	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663	3,112,063
1900	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065	3,219,907
1901	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272	3,449,315
1902	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356	3,627,369
1903	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395	3,638,591
1904	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491	3,637,280
1905	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827	3,837,962
1906	2,288	113,226,280	14,457,564	47,144,094	25,201,131	15,417	4,452,506

No. 49.—Current Rates of Wages.

NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round, allowance being made for the exigencies of the various trades, such as bad weather, idleness through scarcity of employment, &c. Except where specially mentioned, the ordinary working week consists of 48 hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.

Bakers (bread)—

Board hands, 52/6 to 60/- per week; machine hands, 15/- to 42/- per week.

Blacksmiths, 10/- per day; average 50/- per week.

Boilermakers—

1/3 per hour, new work } approximate average
1/4 „ old work } per week, 35/-

Bookbinders, 52/- per week; average 45/-

Bootmakers—

Male, 48/- per week; average 38/-

Female, 15/- „; „ 12/6

Brass-finishers, 1/- per hour; average 42/-

Brassmoulders, 1/3 „ „ 50/-

Bread-carters (54 hours per week), min. 45/-

Brewery and Aerated Water Factory Hands, 40/- to 44/-

Bricklayers, 1/4½ per hour; average 45/-

Brickcarters, 1 horse, 40/- per week; 2 horses, 45/- per week; 2/6 per week extra for each additional horse.

Brickmakers—Time rate, 10½d. to 1/1½d. per hour; piecework, average 57/6 per week.

Butchers (country), with board, 25/- to 30/-

„ (city), without board, 35/- to 45/-

Carpenters and Joiners, 1/3 per hour; average 45/-

Carters. (See “Trolly and Draymen.”)

Cabinetmakers, min. 52/-; average 56/- per week.

Chairmakers, min. 52/-; average 56/- per week.

Cigarmakers, male and female; average 45/- per week.

Coach-painters, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 45/-

Coachsmiths, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 50/-

Compositors—Piecework, 1/- to 1/1 per 1,000 ens.

„ Jobbing, 56/- per week.

„ Linotype (newspapers), 3½d. per 1,000 ens (flat rate). Time rate, day, 1/7; night, 1/10 per hour.

Coopers (piecework), avg. 50/- to 55/- per week.

Coppersmiths, 1/4 per hour; avg. 50/- per week.

Drapers. (See “Shop Assistants.”)

Electricians—

Fitters, 9/- to 10/6 per day.

Armature Winders and Wiremen, 9/- per day.

Engine-drivers (stationary), 8/- to 11/- „

Firemen „ 8/- to 9/- „

Engine-fitters, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average 50/-

Farriers—Firemen, 57/6 per week.

„ Floormen, 47/6 „

French-polishers, min. 48/-; average 51/-

Galvanised Iron-workers, 1/1½ per hour; avg. 50/-

Grocers. (See “Shop Assistants.”)

Hairdressers (59 hours per week), 45/- per week.

Hatters (felt), piecework 65/- to 70/- per week.

Ironmongers. (See “Shop Assistants.”)

Ironmoulders and Turners, 1/3 per hour; av. 45/-

Labourers—Skilled 8/-; unskilled, 7/- per day; average 40/-

Letter-press Machinists, min. 52/- per week; average 42/-

Lithographers, min. 60/- per week.

Malt-house Hands, 40/- per week.

Marble-workers, 7/6 to 10/- per day.

Masons and Stone-cutters, 1/4½ per hour; avg. 40/-

Navvies, 7/- to 8/- per day; average 40/-

Painters and Paperhangers (44 hours per week), 1/2 per hour; average 35/- per week.

Pattern-makers, 10/8 to 12/- per day.

Plasterers, 1/3 per hour; average 45/- per week.

Plumbers, 1/4½ „ „ 50/- „

Saddlers (piecework), average 50/- „

Saw-mill Employees per hour, Machinists, 1s 3d;

Saw Sharpeners, 1s. 2½d; Sawyers, 1s. 0½d;

Engine-drivers, 1s.

Shipwrights (adults), 11/- to 12/- per day.

Shop Assistants (adults)—

Males, 35/- to 45/-

Females, 17/6 to 25/- per week.

Slaters and Tilers, 1/3 to 1/4½ per hour.

Tailors (coat hands), 35/- to 45/- per week.

„ (trousers hands), 20/- to 30/- per week.

Tailoresses (coat hands), order, 27/6 „

„ (trousers hands), order, 22/6 to 26/- per week.

„ (vest hands), order, 20/- to 25/- per week.

„ (factory), order, 10/- to 20/- per week.

Tinsmiths, 1/1½ and 1/3 per hour; average, 50/- per week.

Tobacco-workers, men, 50/-; women, 25/- per week.

Trolly and Draymen— Heavy. Light.

1 horse ... 41/- 42/6

2 horses ... 46/6 47/6

3/- per week for each extra horse. Working week not to exceed 60 hours.

Timber-carters, 1 horse, 42/-; 2 horses, 47/-; and 3/- per week for each extra horse.

Tip carters, 1 horse, 40/-; 2 horses, 45/-

Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.

Upholsterers, min. 52/-; average 57/6 per week.

Wharf Labourers—

Deep sea, 1/3 per hour; 1/9 overtime.

Interstate and Coastal, 1/1½ per hour; 1/8 overtime.

Wheelwrights, 8/- to 10/- per day; average 45/-

Woolwashers, 6/- to 7/- per day; average 40/-

Ferry Employees.

Engine-drivers, £15 to £16/10/- per month.

Firemen, £9/10/- to £11/5/- per month.

Deck-hands (adults), 36/- to 40/- per week (60 hours per week).

Interstate and Intercolonial Steamers.

Officers, chief, £15 to £19; 2nd, £12 to £14;

3rd, £10 to £11; 4th, £8.

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmmers, £7.

Engineers, chief, £20 to £27/10/-; 2nd, £16 to £19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.

Able Seamen, £7.

„ „ (sailing ships), average £5.

No. 49.—Current Rates of Wages—*continued.*

State (New South Wales) Steamers.

Officers, Chief, £10 to £15; 2nd, £10 to £12.
Firemen, £9 and £10 (if 6-hour watches).

Donkeymen, £10 to £11.
Able Seamen and Trimmers, £7.

Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.

Boundary Riders, 17/6 to 20/-
Bullock Drivers, 20/- to 25/-
Country Blacksmiths—
Station, 30/-
General (without rations), 50/- to 60/-
Dairy Hands, 17/6 to 22/6
Farm Labourers, 20/-
Harvest Hands, 35/-
Horse-team Drivers, 25/- to 30/-

Married Couples (without family)—
Farm, £70 to £80.
Station, £75 to £85.
Rouseabouts and Shed Hands, 15/- to 20/-
Orchard Hands, 14/- to 20/-
Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 24/-
Stockmen, £45 to £52.
Useful Boys, 7/6 to 12/6 (age 15 to 18).
Vignerons, 15/- to 20/-

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks (Females)—
Hotel, 20/- to 30/-
Station, 20/- to 25/-
Private house, 15/- to 20/-
Boarding-house, 20/- to 30/-
Cook and Laundress, 15/- to 20/-
House and Parlour Maid, 13/- to 15/-
Laundresses, 17/6 to 20/-

General Servants (aged 18 years and upwards),
10/- to 20/-
Nursemaids (aged 15 to 20 years), 6/- to 10/-
Useful Girls (aged 15 to 18 years), 6/- to 10/-
Waitresses (board only), 15/- to 18/-
Gardeners, 20/- to 30/-
Grooms and Coachmen, 17/6 to 25/-

No. 50.—Meteorology.

District.	April, 1908.					April— (Mean 1898-1907).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
North Coast—										
Grafton	67·8	81·0	54·6	1·74	9	69·4	3·32	7	68·3	38·77
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton	61·3	72·5	54·0	1·80	4	62·9	2·49	6	64·3	29·65
Cumberland—										
Sydney	64·4	71·0	57·8	2·95	17	64·9	4·45	12	63·0	48·34
South Coast—										
Bega	59·6	73·3	45·8	3·02	5	60·3	1·50	5	59·8	31·74
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	57·4	67·9	46·9	2·87	9	55·7	1·87	7	56·4	31·78
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst	55·5	70·2	40·8	0·91	5	58·2	2·04	6	57·2	23·89
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	55·8	67·3	44·2	1·02	5	55·9	1·44	8	56·4	25·63
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	65·7	79·1	52·3	1·32	2	66·1	1·77	4	66·2	24·76
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	63·8	77·8	49·8	0·47	3	65·2	2·68	5	63·6	22·36
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	64·4	80·5	48·2	0·94	2	63·1	1·63	7	61·6	21·73
North-western Plain—										
Moree	68·7	82·7	54·6	1·19	5	68·2	1·10	3	68·7	23·23
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	67·0	80·0	54·0	1·64	4	66·7	1·84	4	65·8	19·96
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	61·3	73·5	49·0	0·29	1	63·0	1·38	5	61·9	16·46

No. 51.—Crown Lands Selections, 1908.

The following statements show—(first) the Land Selected; and (second), the Area made available for Residential Settlement during the month of April, 1908, and during the period from 1st January to 30th April, 1908 :—

LANDS SELECTED UNDER THE "CROWN LANDS ACT."

Description of Holding.	During April, 1908.		1st Jan. to 30th April, 1908.	
	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).	No. of Applicants.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Conditional Purchase Leases	19	5,921	68	33,830
Original Conditional Purchases	124	18,091	540	74,872
*Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these O.C. Purchases	(64)	27,028	(288)	129,591
Original Homestead Selections	23	4,420	70	15,219
Original Settlement Leases	12	40,996	27	133,809
Settlement Purchases ... ..	.....	.....	2	1,210
Total of New Settlers	178	96,456	707	388,531
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases	86	12,877	325	43,892
Additional Conditional Leases	117	33,872	439	127,858
Additional Homestead Selections	4	959	29	9,722
Additional Settlement Leases... ..	1	17	14	13,941
Total	208	47,725	807	195,413

* A Conditional Lease may be of any area not exceeding three times that of the associated Conditional Purchase, and is usually taken up at the same time as the Conditional Purchase. It is not, however, treated as an additional holding.

AREAS SPECIALLY SET APART FOR RESIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT.

Description of Holding.	During April, 1908.		1st Jan. to 30th April, 1908.	
	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).	No. of Blocks.	Area (acres).
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
For Conditional Purchase Lease	17	21,794	73	52,231
Original Conditional Purchase	2	123	53	3,420
Original Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease in virtue thereof	22	17,716	154	139,032
Original Homestead Selection	18	4,117	39	8,452
Original Settlement Lease	5	14,129	11	57,784
Settlement Purchase ... ..	.....	.....	2	1,210
Total	64	57,879	332	262,129
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
For all forms of Additional Holdings	44	26,814	244	185,165
Additional Conditional Purchase	2	937	6	1,118
Additional Conditional Purchase and Conditional Lease	2	94	9	605
Additional Homestead Selection	1	41	3	170
Additional Settlement Lease	1	361	4	1,827
Additional Conditional Purchase, Conditional Lease, or Additional Homestead Selection ... ..	.....	.....	6	2,058
Total	50	28,247	272	190,943